

MINUTE ITEM

7. (ESTABLISHMENT OF CONSULTING BOARD - W. O. 2653.)

Following presentation of Calendar Item 35 attached, the Chairman reported that he had written to a number of the consultants recommended by the staff, and that there appeared to be two highly qualified firms available, both located in Tulsa, Oklahoma, these being Herman H. Kaveler, and Keplinger & Wanenmacher. It was the view of the Commission that these two firms should be employed in addition to the retention of special legal counsel.

Mr. Kirkwood reported that the consultants to be retained might be of assistance in recommending availability of the competent legal counsel required.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED:

1. DR. HERMAN H. KAVELER, AND KEPLINGER & WANENMACHER, BOTH OF TULSA, OKLAHOMA, ARE TO BE EMPLOYED AS SPECIAL CONSULTANTS TO ASSIST THE COMMISSION BY RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO OIL AND GAS LEASING PROCEDURES TO BE EFFECTED UNDER EXISTING STATUTES;
2. THE ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS AUTHORIZED TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE CONTRACTS WITH THE CONSULTANTS DESIGNATED IN (1) ABOVE FOR THE SERVICES TO BE RENDERED.

Attachment

Calendar Item 35 (1 page)

CALENDAR ITEM

MISCELLANEOUS

35.

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On May 13, 1957 (Minute Item 19, pages 3111-14), the Commission directed staff review of possible bases for retention of a board of consultants to assist the Commission by recommendations as to oil and gas lease procedures to be effected under legislation to be adopted relative to oil and gas leases. Retention of such a board was determined to be proper and practicable under the operating budget of the Commission.

The availability of consultants in the engineering, geological, and legal phases of oil and gas leasing has been under review by the Commissioners.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

- (1) DESIGNATE CONSULTANTS TO BE EMPLOYED TO ASSIST THE COMMISSION BY RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO OIL AND GAS LEASING PROCEDURES TO BE EFFECTED UNDER EXISTING STATUTES;
- (2) AUTHORIZE THE ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO NEGOTIATE CONTRACTS WITH THE DESIGNATED CONSULTANTS FOR THE SERVICES TO BE RENDERED.